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State Insurance Commissioner on the Road to Assist Consumers

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS (May 8, 2008) —State Insurance Commissioner Julie Benafield Bowman is headed to various Arkansas communities the week of May 12-16, 2008, to field questions from Arkansas consumers. Commissioner Bowman and members of her staff will hold informal, open meetings to respond to general questions about insurance products, sales practices, and other topics of concern to consumers. She will also meet with insurance producers in the communities she visits.

"I am happy to be able to have one-on-one conversations with the Arkansas Insurance Department's constituency," said Bowman. "I know this year's recent tornadoes and storms have raised questions for many insurance consumers, and I plan to address how to prepare for such catastrophes and what to do after an event."

As part of the Commissioner's travels, she will hold question and answer sessions in Springdale, Harrison, Conway, Jonesboro, and El Dorado. Further details may be obtained by calling Alice Jones at 800-282-9134 or visiting www.insurance.arkansas.gov.

The "Commissioner's Road Show" is a cooperative effort of the Arkansas Insurance Department and the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA). Consumers are urged to join in what will be an informative give and take.